

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Original claims 1-15 and Amended claims 1-13 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (new): A device for heating liquids, comprising:
a first liquid container for liquid for heating,
a second liquid container, which second liquid container is at least partially filled with an intermediary liquid, and
a heating element coupled to the second liquid container,
wherein heat transfer from the heating element to the liquid for heating takes place at least substantially via the intermediary liquid, and wherein the intermediary liquid is formed at least substantially by water, wherein an underpressure is present in the second liquid container at room temperature.

Claim 17 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container is at least partially deformable at a relatively high temperature of the intermediary liquid.

Claim 18 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container forms a physical separation between the heating element and the first liquid container.

Claim 19 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the heating element is at least substantially enclosed by the second liquid container.

Claim 20 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the heating element is positioned at a distance from the first liquid container.

Claim 21 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the device is provided with a safety provision to prevent overheating of the device.

Claim 22 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container is provided at least partially with a profiled surface.

Claim 23 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container takes an at least substantially rod-like form.

Claim 24 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container is manufactured at least partially from a relatively smooth stainless steel.

Claim 25 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the heating element is connected non-releasably to the second liquid container.

Claim 26 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein the second liquid container is connected releasably to the heating element.

Claim 27 (new): The device as claimed in claim 16, wherein a seal is arranged between the second liquid container and the heating element.

Claim 28 (new): An assembly of a heating element and a second liquid container for use in a device as claimed in claim 16.